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The smuggling of morphia which takes place in China has assumed alarming proportions. Morphia is used among the Chinese not only for hypodermic injection, but also in the form of tablets for the cure of opium smoking. The remedy however, is constantly being proved to be worse than the disease. "Even in remote country villages morphia tablets and hypodermic syringes are frequently seen," and Dr. Apsland of Peking, who has written to one of the Tientsin papers a warning against the use of the so-called "anti-opium pills," remarks that he would not like to guess how many tons of morphia tablets are being imported into China now, but he is prepared to believe that the import is appalling. If, however, we consult the Customs returns for information on the subject, we find the total amount of morphia which passed through the Customs was not more than 96 ounces. Probably no man can make even an approximate guess at the import. Dr. Apsland mentions "tons," and there cannot be the slightest doubt about the fact that the import is really, as he describes it, "appalling."

The first record of the importation of the drug into China was in 1892 when the import was returned as 15,761 ounces. By 1899 it had risen to 154,705 ounces, and, if we set out the figures for the subsequent seven years, the suggestion that the drug is being smuggled into China on a very extensive scale will at once be apparent. Here are the Customs returns:

Year	Ounces
1900	114,768
1901	138,567
1902	195,183
1903	108,148
1904	128
1905	54
1906	419
1907	96

Smuggling can be the only explanation of the practical disappearance of the drug from the Customs returns after 1903. Up to April 1903 the duty levied on the import was at the rate of 5 per cent. ad valorem, representing a tax of about 11s. 0.08 per ounce. The Chinese Government, having had its attention drawn to the growing use of morphia among the people and the necessity of checking the evil, which worked out at something like 11s. 3 per ounce. Since that tax was announced the import, so far as it comes under the cognizance of the Customs, has practically ceased, as the table above clearly shows. Yet there never was a time when the use of the drug among the Chinese was so extensive as it is to-day. There undoubtedly prevails among the Chinese, here in Hongkong as apparently in all parts of the Empire of China, a sublime faith in the efficacy of the "anti-opium pill" as a cure for the opium-smoking habit but Dr. Apsland, in the letter we have referred to, emphatically declares that he has not found one of these tablets that contained "any antidotal drug, any stimulant or tonic ingredients, but simply morphia made into a tablet with ordinary household flour." So that, as Dr. Apsland expressly puts it, "the sale is not accompanied with any honest intention of relieving the suffering, but finding that there is a big market for morphia under the name of anti-opium tablets and powders, foreign trading companies, who do not trade in arms and ammunition, follow this lucrative one under the heading of benefactors." Most nations, we believe, have prohibited the export of morphia to China, and if the fact were not so patent that the consumption of morphia in China is the cause of "anti-opium" tablets and powders is increasing at a prodigious rate, the fact that the drug has practically disappeared from the Customs import returns would double a be counted into the exporting nation for righteousness. Japan, it seems, is not a venge the nations which have interdicted the export of morphia to China, and it has been urged—officially at least, and so far without result—that it is desirable that Japan should come into line with the other nations in this respect. Two suggestions are implied in this demand, one being that Japan is a large exporter of morphia to China, and the other must be that practically all she sends to China is smuggled. For in 1905 when the total net import into China, according to the Customs returns, was 419 ounces not a single ounce is shown in those returns as having been imported from Japan. With the exception of six ounces from the United States and two from Germany the whole came from Hongkong and Great Britain. Last year, however, out of the total of 96 ounces, Japan is represented by 58 ounces, Hongkong by 9, Great Britain by 23 and the United States by one. So far as the import of the this drug is concerned, it is clear that the only value the Customs returns possess lies in the indirect evidence they give of the enormous extent to which the smuggling of morphia is being carried on. If "anti-opium pills" were really beneficial the only thing the Chinese Government would have occasion to regret would be the loss of revenue by the evasion of the import duty, but as these tablets are declared to be doing more harm than opium has ever approached the doing, it is surprising that the Chinese Government have not taken effective measures to prevent the smuggling as well as to restrict the sale of this dangerous remedy.

The Hon. Mr. F. H. May, C.M.G., who is President of the Y.M.C.A., will occupy the Chair at a social gathering of members and their friends to-morrow evening.

The telegram received by the American Consul yesterday, sent from the Manila Observatory at noon, reported a typhoon to be East of Luzon, less than 300 miles distant, moving W.N.W.

At the annual meeting of the Y.M.C.A. Chess Club the following officers were elected:—President, Yen Archdeacon Bannister; Secretary, Messrs. Mr. T. G. Turnbull; Committee, Mr. H. Sykes.

The cholera returns at Manila, according to the Manila newspapers, show a material decline. The latest paper, dated the 6th instant, gives only 9 cases as having occurred on the previous day, including three American victims.

It is reported that the United States battleship "Louisiana" will visit Hongkong on November 5th, and that Admiral Emery will then lower his flag on the occasion of his retirement from the service.

When the latest mail left Shanghai Mr. John A. Ross, the accountant of the Chartered Bank, was very seriously ill at the Nursing Home. He had undergone two operations and his condition was causing much anxiety to his many friends.

Thefts from little children in the street have become rather frequent again. On Wednesday a little girl was enticed into a quiet place by a man who wrenched the gold bangle from off her arm. This is the second case reported this week.

"The Romance of Lowland Scotland" was the title of a lecture delivered last night by Dr. J. Thomson under the auspices of the Union Church Literary Club. The subject was an attractive one, and the large attendance showed their appreciation in no half-hearted manner.

"The principal wife assaulted the second wife." Such was the explanation vouchsafed by a Chinaman who yesterday attended at the Magistrate with the two ladies of his household. Mr. Wood heard the dispute, and as he found that the wife assaulted the concubine he ordered her to be bound over.

On Wednesday an accident occurred at Morrison Hill. Workmen were engaged in carrying out certain repairs to a house and a huge stone was being raised when one of the ropes which held it slipped, causing the stone to smash through the scaffolding and injure three workmen, one of whom was removed to the hospital.

An impudent theft was committed in Messrs. Jardine, Matheson's office the other day. A silver watch, with 18carat gold chain and a pocket with small pearls, was taken from the desk of Mr. W. L. Warriner between nine and ten o'clock on Wednesday morning. His name was scratched on the inner case of the watch and he was able to supply the number of the watch it should be easily recovered if it be pawnd. The total value of the articles is \$92.

The Hon. Mr. E. A. Irving, yesterday afternoon distributed the certificates gained in connection with the evening classes under the auspices of Queen's College. In the course of his subsequent address to the students he emphasized the value of the present facilities for education placed at their disposal and pointed out that the subjects studied to-day would, in a few years, be of great value in view of the great development of China.

News has reached Shanghai of the death of Mr. A. S. Sopher. Mr. Sopher left Shanghai a short time ago in poor health and was on his way home when the sad event occurred. He had been a resident of Shanghai for upwards of thirty years. On his arrival there he joined the firm of Messrs. E. D. Sassoon & Co., and recently he had acted as manager for Messrs. S. J. David & Co. Mr. Sopher has been a prominent member of the community socially, and was noted for his sound business acumen. In his feelings with the Chinese, says the N.C. Daily News, he won general esteem, and his death will be regretted by them nearly as much as by his many foreign friends. He leaves a widow and family with whom the deepest sympathy is felt.

The accounts of the St. Andrew's Society at Shanghai, after allowing for all calls made upon the charitable fund, show a credit balance of \$1,991.69 as against \$1,289 last year. It is proposed to transfer the \$702.50 to the Charity Reserve Account, which will thus be brought up to a total of \$7,003. During the year 14 new members have been enrolled, 110 have been struck off the list on account of death, departure for home, etc., and the membership now stands at a total of 736 as compared with 755 last year. From these 663 subscriptions have been collected a satisfactory total when it is considered how many seafaring members are continually in and out of and away from the port. It may further be noted that calls on the Charitable Fund to the extent of \$849.35 were met last year; and that the St. Andrew's Ball, in the Town Hall on November 29 last, resulted in a surplus of \$847.11.

The bathing party of the Y.M.C.A. held a most enjoyable moonlight picnic on Wednesday evening when about seventy members and their friends attended. The launch left Blake Pier a little after 8 o'clock with the intention of going completely round the Island, but after a couple of hours steaming it was found advisable to abandon the idea in consideration of the discomfort of some of the party, who appeared affected by the moderate swell which was encountered some time after leaving Deep Water Bay, where a stop was made for a swim, and for the general pleasure of all. Immediately the launch commenced its return the spirits of the musically talented were revived and in place of the discordant screech of the ubiquitous gramophone in the inevitable "Merry Widow" waltz some duets and quartets were supplied which were much appreciated, except when the tenor attempted to hurl himself at apparently inaccessible heights and nearly missed the mark.

BIG FIRE AT MANILA.

Last Monday night a fire laid waste the factory of the Philippine Products Company and storehouse, involving losses estimated at 250,000 pesos.

154 YEARS OF AGE.

A Filipino woman who has died at Dagupan is stated to have been 154 years of age. Her recollections, according to a niece (64 years of age), went back to events which occurred during the English occupation of Manila in 1762, at which time the deceased was about eight years of age.

TELEGRAMS.

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SERIOUS SITUATION IN THE "NEAR EAST."

AUSTRIA MOBILISING.

LONDON, October 8th.

Sir Edward Grey and Mr. Asquith have declared that the British Government will refuse to recognise breaches in the Berlin Treaty without the consent of the signatories.

Great Britain has addressed a remonstrance to Austria. It is reported that Austria has refused to participate in a Conference of the Powers until her annexation of Bosnia and Herzegovina be acknowledged.

The Cretans have proclaimed a union with Greece.

War excitement continues in Servia. An appeal is being addressed to the Powers.

Turkey remains calm. Austria is mobilising her troops.

[REUTERS' SERVICE.]

BULGARIA AND TURKEY.

LONDON, October 6th.

Prince Ferdinand of Bulgaria, in a telegram to the Sultan of Turkey, says that he has been compelled to respect the wishes of the nation, and expresses the hope that the friendly relations hitherto existing between the two countries will be maintained.

A Council of ministers is considering a reply, which will probably take the form of a protest at the Prince's action, and a refusal to recognize Bulgaria's independence.

A Manifesto issued at Sofia yesterday evening says that the proclamation of independence is in conformity with the will of the people who hope that the powers will approve.

Prince Ferdinand and his ministers have started for Philippopolis. The mobilization of an army of 100,000 men has been ordered.

LATER.

At Paris, M. Pichon discussed with M. Izvolsky, Russian Foreign Minister, and Sir Francis Bertie, British Ambassador, the question of a European Congress which is growing in probability, despite the danger of dealing with the inflammable matters involved.

The Sultan in his reply to Prince Ferdinand, which has now been despatched, says that Turkey has invited the Powers to confer on the situation.

An Anti-Austrian mass meeting has been held at Belgrade at which there were shouts of "Down with Austria" and much bellicose talk.

The Servian reserves numbering 120,000 men were called out yesterday.

THE CHENTU HOSPITAL STUDENTS.

LONDON, October 6th.

A meeting has been held at Lord Salisbury's house at which it was resolved to form an Etionian Association for China in support of Bishop Cassel's scheme for students in the hospital at Chentu.

A committee was appointed with Lord William Cecil as chairman.

ACCIDENT AT THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

An incident which might have had more serious results took place yesterday during the sitting of the Legislative Council. The Hon. Mr. Murray Stewart had just opened his speech when a huge piece of plaster fell from the roof on the desk immediately in front of the Hon. Mr. Bodeley, narrowly missing his head and hands. For a moment consternation prevailed. Both Mr. Bodeley and Mr. Gresson hastily moved their chairs back from the danger zone, and hon. members glanced easily up towards the roof. Mr. Stewart stood silent, while a clerk stopped the punkah, lest it should dislodge any more stucco, but calmness was restored when the hon. gentleman resumed his address. When His Excellency subsequently addressed the Council he said that the narrow escape of one of the hon. members which had been witnessed was a matter on which they might congratulate themselves.

The Indian opium revenue shows no signs of falling off, remarks a Bombay contemporary. Bengal opium for September realised Rs. 61,83,776, being Rs. 1,13,775 better than the estimate. Bombay for August came to Rs. 21,40,200 or Rs. 8,40,200 above the estimate. Up to date the year's revenue from both Bengal and Bombay is Rs. 52,55,740 above the estimate.

HONGKONG LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Hongkong Legislative Council was held yesterday in the Council Chamber.

PRESENT:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR, SIR FRANKLIN JOHN DRAUGHT LUGARD, K.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O.
COLONEL DABLINE, R. E. (General Officer Commanding).
Hon. Mr. F. H. MAY, C.M.G. (Colonial Secretary).
Hon. Mr. W. RESE DAVIES K.C. (Attorney-General).
Hon. Mr. A. M. THOMSON (Colonial Treasurer).
Hon. Mr. W. CHATHAM, C.M.G. (Director of Public Works).
Hon. Mr. E. A. IRVING (Registrar-General).
Hon. F. J. BADELEY, (Captain Superintendent of Police).
Hon. Dr. HO KAI, M.B., C.M., C.M.G.
Hon. Mr. WHE YUK, C.M.G.
Hon. Mr. MURRAY STEWART.
Hon. Mr. H. A. W. STADS.
Hon. Mr. W. J. GRESSON.
Hon. Mr. C. CLEMENT (Clerk of Councils).

MINUTES.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

FINANCIAL MINUTES.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the Report of the Finance Committee, No. 16, and moved its adoption.

The COLONIAL TREASURER seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

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THE ESTIMATES.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY—Sir, I beg to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Ordinance to apply a sum not exceeding Five million five hundred and seventy thousand four hundred and twenty seven Dollars to the Public Service of the year 1907.

The COLONIAL TREASURER seconded. Hon. Mr. STEWART—The duty has devolved upon me of stating in outline the views of the unofficial members on the provisions of this Bill, and of making a few brief comments upon the lucid and interesting statement with which it was introduced. This time last year the representative of the Chamber of Commerce opened his speech on the Estimates by congratulating Your Excellency on the satisfactory financial condition of the Colony. Exchange was then high and believed in. The long period of commercial depression was almost thought to be passing away. Land sales were estimated to bring in 3 last. The burden of the cost of railway construction had hardly begun to make itself felt. Optimistic forecasts were the order of the day. We all know what happened. We know that a world-wide depression had set in. We remember that it fell upon us almost immediately, and that exchange also promptly began to fall. The results are to be found in the figures of the Financial Statement to which, a fortnight ago, Your Excellency invited our attention, preliminary to dealing with the estimates for next year. The figures of the revised estimates for 1906 emphasize the unwieldiness of a problematical period of prosperity, anticipated mainly for the reason that it is so much to be desired. The net result of such drawings in the present instance is, in the words of Your Excellency, "that a deficit balance of \$591,000 is anticipated to accrue from the working of the current year." Under the circumstances that the balance of our assets is thus expected to decline from over a million and a half dollars, at the end of last year, to a little over \$350,000 at the end of this year, it is unfortunately impossible on the present occasion to congratulate Your Excellency on the financial condition of the Colony. That the financial condition of the Colony is unsatisfactory is clearly demonstrated, not only by the revised estimates for 1906, but also by the leading features of the estimates for the coming year. The leading feature of these estimates is obviously the enormous increase in the general revenue of over \$400,000 received from the "Widows and Orphans Fund." By this means a large deficit has been provided against, which would otherwise have led Your Excellency to propose an increase in taxation for the full amount. That there was some such design we suspected. That the Colony was in reduced circumstances we knew. But that there was such dire need for the money thus provided some of us, perhaps, did not altogether realize, nor could it easily have been imagined from the disinterested attitude adopted by the Government in those somewhat breezy debates which resulted in this downfall. The method of dealing with the proceeds of the fund which, as Your Excellency admitted, "should theoretically be invested in some remunerative work which would benefit the Colony, and at the same time produce a sum equivalent to meet the new charge upon the revenues," naturally of the estimates. It is equally natural that it should have principally occupied the minds of the unofficial members when we met to consider the Government's proposals. The result of our deliberations is that although we regard the disposal of the Fund as a departure from the principles of sound finance, we do not see our way to oppose it, in view of Your Excellency's pronouncement that it is the Government's only alternative to increased taxation. We are certainly not prepared to advocate that. We believe that to raise the rates on property at the present time would be little short of disastrous. Moreover, we feel that the argument derived by Your Excellency from the fact that the taxpayers of the day are being called upon to shoulder a disproportionately heavy burden of the cost of railway construction is strong enough to clear us from the charge of indifference to the claims of posterity. Those who will come after us will profit at our expense, inasmuch as that the interest on the railway loan is being paid out of current revenue instead of being debited to capital account as might properly be done. In fact, in this case, in defiance of the proverb, it is possible to argue that two wrongs make a right. The realization that, in spite of this windfall, it has only just been possible to make both ends meet is sufficient to cause for satisfaction that negotiations with the Home Government have not so far made it necessary to provide for any reduction in the revenue from opium. The narrowness of the financial straits through which the Colony is passing will inevitably wreck these estimates, should the Home Government insist upon pushing the claims of the extreme section of the anti-opium agitators. The unofficial members discussed the possibility of this in connection with the subject of the military contribution.

speaking upon this fruitful topic of controversy Your Excellency evidently anticipated an attack upon the principle underlying the impost, and you referred to some among members made last year on the subject by the honorable member whose place on this Council I temporarily occupy. The quotation from these remarks which Your Excellency made might perhaps, isolated from its context, convey a "wrong" impression of his attitude and it is only fair to point out that he also said this, "I for one think and have always maintained that it is correct that the Colony should contribute something towards the Imperial Troops, but for a small Colony the sum of \$1,300,000 is excessive." Speaking for the unofficial members of the day I have to say that we are of one mind regarding the principle of the contribution and in full accord with the views of Your Excellency as regards the advantage to the Colony of the presence of the Garrison. I for one have never been able to appreciate the force of the objection raised against the contribution on the ground that the Garrison is retained here mainly for strategic and imperial purposes. Imperial strategy in these parts is obviously a naval matter and its disposition can hardly depend upon a small body of troops which is scarcely more than sufficient to ensure order and security within the limits of the Colony. That a small part of this force may be requisitioned to quell a riot in an out-port is a minor consideration of its uses which cannot be classed as strategic. But whether for strategic or local purposes, the presence of the Garrison here is recognized as a benefit upon the members as conferring greatest benefit upon the Colony. Those who doubt this can hardly have resorted upon the fact to which Your Excellency also drew attention, that half to two-thirds of the funds devoted to the Garrison come out of the pocket of the British taxpayer. True, the unofficial members view the method upon which the contribution is levied as a bad one. That it is open to criticism Your Excellency clearly showed, inasmuch as that under the present method the sum payable is increased in a time of financial difficulty. We are pleased to know that Your Excellency is at work on a plan which will place the levy on a more equitable basis and we trust that you will succeed in overcoming the serious difficulties which you have not confided in us, but which have so far prevented you from proposing it to the Secretary of State. But though the unofficial members view with favour the principle of the contribution and, in ordinary times would willingly consent to its presence in the estimates, we wish to make this clear, that if the Opium policy of the Home Government is pushed with such persistence as to wreck these estimates, and if the threat of increased taxation comes to be made good, then we shall hold ourselves free to seek relief by agitating instead for a remission of a part of this contribution. Here it may perhaps not be inappropriate to suggest to the Government that instead of fixing their thoughts upon increased taxation as the only alternative to temporary expedients they should bring their minds to bear upon the possibility of retrenchment. Is there really such a need of retrenchment? Are all means of cutting down expenses exhausted? Are all methods of effecting these small economies that lead to large economy conscientiously employed in all the Departments of the Government? When one glances over the pages of those estimates and sees the long lists of minor appointments, the frequently recurring items of charges for allowances, extras, incidental expenses amounting to thousands of dollars, it is not difficult to see that the administration could do better on more economical lines. In particular one cannot help wondering whether greater economies could not be effected in the Sanitary Department. The comparatively small saving shown in the estimates under this head has been noted with some disappointment. The recent authoritative pronouncement of the Indian Plague Commission has made it clear that many of the expensive and irritating methods hitherto employed in combating plague are unnecessary and should be abandoned. For instance, the free use of disinfectants, lime-washing and the rest are of doubtful value. The number of coolies engaged by the Department when it was thought necessary to carry out these mistaken methods could surely be still further reduced and so, one would think, might the number of Inspectors employed to look after them. This would not only effect an actual saving, but would indirectly benefit the revenue by encouraging Chinese to come here instead of driving or keeping them away as at present. In fact, it is perhaps the lavish expenditure which grew up during years of exceptional prosperity, and which originated partly in the careless habit of mind which prosperity brings, should be resolutely reduced. The unofficial members are by no means persuaded that no retrenchment is possible. Neither, I believe, are the general public so prejudiced. Before agreeing to any fresh taxation they will require to be. I do not propose to follow Your Excellency into any of the details of these estimates, but there are one or two matters especially interesting to the public upon which it may not be out of place to say just a few words. First and foremost in the public eye stands, of course, the railway. It is satisfactory to learn that, speaking generally, progress has been well maintained. In particular it is satisfactory to know that the pace at which the work of reclamation at Kowloon is advancing has of late been notably accelerated. The arrest of the bridge work is a matter upon which, under the circumstances, it is perhaps undesirable to comment. Of course the railway will never be anything but an expensive toll until through communication is made to Canton and beyond. But even though it may only be as a railway to nowhere we welcome the prospect that the line to the frontier will be completed and opened for local traffic by March '10. This prospect opens up the question of roads in the New Territory, for which we are glad to see some provision has been made. It is unnecessary to dwell on the stimulating influence of improved means of communication, apart from which the means are needed to feed the railway. I am sorry that it has not been decided to build the more important roads, as for instance, that from Castle Peak to Ping Shan, wide enough to admit of wheeled traffic. I think that this decision requires reconsideration. The plan of making a narrow road with the intention of some day returning to widen it does not recommend itself either for efficiency or economy. In the long run it will prove more expensive and in the meantime communication between the villages will still be subject to pedestrian conditions, which do not make for rapid progress. It has been pointed out to me that the roads ought to be built strictly as feeders and that they should be commenced and pushed out from suitable places along the line of the track. I imagine that the importance of this has not escaped Your Excellency's attention. That the New Territories should yield in all a Revenue upwards of \$200,000, exclusive of Land Sales, is perhaps the brightest spot in the whole Budget, and it was only fitting that Your Excellency should single out for special mention the notable part played by Mr. Clementi in the initial stages of the settlement of those Territories and the admirable work of development which is being carried on by his successors. As one who has taken a keen interest in it for years, I found

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Hon. Mr. GRESSON—Under education in connection with Queen's College, why should the allowance for exchange be so high?
The COLONIAL SECRETARY—They have a large number of Europeans.
Hon. Mr. GRESSON—Is it correct that their salaries have been doubled owing to the fall in exchange?
The COLONIAL SECRETARY—Every European officer is paid on the basis of a 3/- dollar converted into a 2/- dollar. It is now 1/3. The increase is undoubtedly very large.
Hon. Dr. Ho KAI—In dollars.
The COLONIAL SECRETARY—That is the system which has been adopted by this Council. Formerly salaries were drawn half at a 3/- dollar, and then this Council in a fit of generosity gave it the other half and made it 3/2.
The bill then passed through committee.

MACAO.
[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

THE STORM.
On Monday night and Tuesday a severe storm was experienced which did some damage to the eastern end of the Praya Grande and the new Esplanade. It will take some days to repair the damage.

COMPLAINING OF THE TAXATION.
The Chinese merchants of the city are preparing a Memorial to the Governor complaining of the heavy taxation.

ARMED ROBBERY.
Last Wednesday about ten o'clock at night the pawnshop known as "Hang Vo At" in the Rua do Mestre was visited by about ten armed robbers. Some entered by the door while others got in through a skylight on the roof. They covered the inmates with their revolvers, tied them up and then ransacked the place for jewellery. They succeeded in getting away with property worth between \$3,000 and \$35,000. A week has passed and none of the thieves have been arrested nor has any of the property been recovered. I have many times said that the failures of the public lighting and the inefficient police patrol of the city constitute encouragement to thieves. When may we expect to see some reform initiated?

Add report!

WHAT A WOMAN CAN DO.
Paris is the scene of woman's triumphs. She is in evidence at the Bar—and, by the way, her vanity in being photographed for a calendar has called for somewhat a severe rebuke from the Faculty of Advocates—as a taxicab driver, and we are promised an ascent by a lady aeroplanist. Perhaps this is as it should be in the country of Joan of Arc. But woman has scored further in the French capital during the past few days. One has adopted the profession of bill-poster, and another that of house-painter.

WEATHER REPORT.
The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—
On the 8th at 11.55 a.m. The barometer has fallen moderately over the Philippines and Formosa, another typhoon having appeared to the Eastward of Luzon.
Pressure has given way very quickly in E. Japan, the depression lying over the N. part of the Sea of Japan yesterday, having reached N.E. Hokkaido.
High pressure covers N. China, where the barometer is still rising.
N.E. and N. winds probably increasing to a gale may be expected in the Formosa Channel and the N.E. part of the China Sea.
Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.02 inches
The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:—
N.E. winds, mod'to frsh;
Hongkong & Neighbourhood. fair.
N.E. winds probably increasing to a gale.
Formosa Channel
South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamook. Same as No. 1.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Hailu... Same as No. 1.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.
The E. & A. str. *Bostera* from Sydney &c. left Port Darwin on the 7th inst. for Manila and this port.
The E. & A. str. *Empire* left Moji on the 7th inst. for Hongkong.

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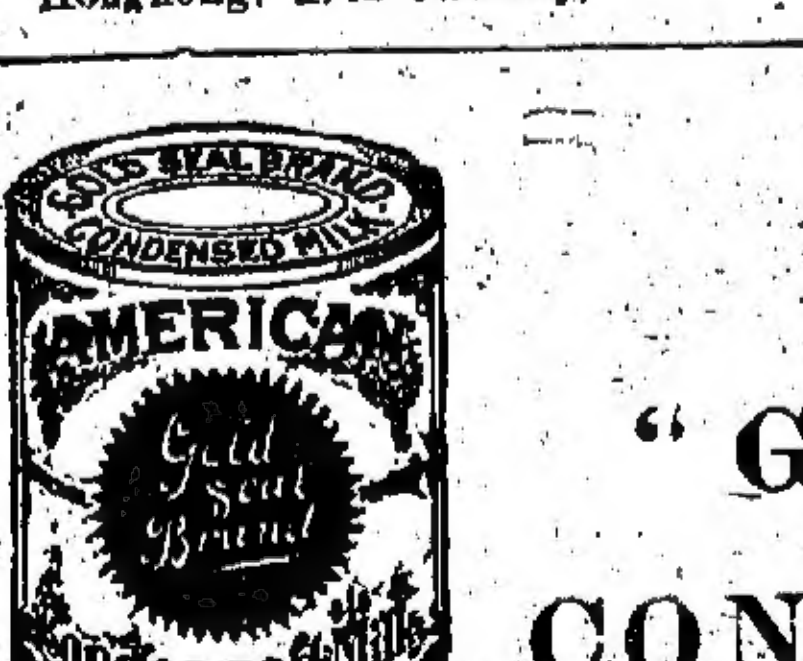
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HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND
FINANCE COMPANY.Two adjourned extraordinary meetings of
the shareholders in the above Company were
called for yesterday in order to pass two resolu-
tions. Mr. H. Humphreys presided and there
were present Dr. J. W. Noble, Messrs. J. A.
Jupp (director), D. E. Clarke, S. A. Seth,
G. Rapp, C. B. Bayers, J. M. Wong, and
E. Seth (secretary).The SECRETARY, having read the notice
convening the meeting,
The CHAIRMAN said—Before I put the first
resolution I shall be pleased to answer any
question shareholders like to ask. I think it
is only necessary to state the object of this
resolution is to enable directors to utilise what
was formerly the equalisation of dividend
fund for extraordinary damage caused by
typhoons and floods. This resolution will in-
volve no alteration in the Articles of Associa-
tion. It is a simple resolution which does not
require confirmation.The CHAIRMAN then moved "That the sum
of \$50,000 now standing at the credit of
Fund for Equalisation of Dividend be trans-
ferred to the credit of Typhoon and Floods
Insurance Fund."Mr. S. A. Seth seconded, and the resolution
was carried unanimously.The second meeting was held a few minutes
later, those present being the same.The CHAIRMAN said—Before I move this resolu-
tion I shall be pleased to answer any question
which shareholders may like to ask. I have only
to state for your information that under the
existing articles it would be almost impossible to
get an extraordinary meeting of shareholders
to pass any resolution without holding four
meetings. To get over that difficulty we are now
altering article 54, with regard to the remaining
part of the resolution dealing with article 111.
The object of the change is to remedy a clerical
error in the articles.There being no questions, the CHAIRMAN
moved "That Article No. 54 of the Articles of
Association of the Company be cancelled and the
following Article substituted therefor:—"Three Members personally present shall be a
quorum for an Ordinary General Meeting. For
all other Meetings the quorum shall be five."
"That Article No. 111 of the Articles of
Association of the Company be altered by
deleting the words 'the Governing Director
or by two Directors' on the seventh line
thereof and substituting the following words
therefor:—'The General Manager.'"Mr. BUTLER seconded, and the resolution
was carried.The CHAIRMAN—That resolution will require
to be confirmed at another meeting which will
be subsequently convened. That is all the
business.

ARRIVAL OF TILAK IN RANGOON.

The R. I. M. S. "Hardinge" with Sir Gaugahar
Tilak on board arrived at Rangoon on the
22nd ult. When the special train which was to
convey Tilak to Mandalay arrived at Barr
Street at 2.45 p.m. Mr. Bailes accompanied by
Superintendent McMahon of the Port Police
left in the Port Trust launch Shwé Dagon,
which had been lent for the occasion, for the
"Hardinge". A few minutes before the launch
returned with Tilak on board the crowd had
increased to over two thousand people. Tilak
accompanied by Inspector J. Scott of the
Alameda Police and Superintendent McMahon
returned to the station. Tilak was dressed in
ordinary native fashion, in white
clothes and shawl and wore a red cap. His
footgear was of red leather turned up slippers
worked in gold. He walked briskly to the
train from the launch and entered a second
class carriage followed by Inspector Scott and
Sergeant Day of the Mogul Guard, who will
be his travelling companions throughout the
trip. When the crowd caught sight of Tilak
through the open car window a shout of ap-
plause and cheers went up with cries of
"Bande Mataram." The windows of the
carriage in which Tilak travels were kept
closed on the Strand side until the train had
left Barr Street. The Commissioner of Police
and Deputy Inspector Wood and
European Sergeants Nair, Chalk, Gouli and
Row went as far as Poonoonong Railway
station with the special train. On reaching
there a stop was made for several minutes and
the shunting engine which had brought the train
from Barr Street was changed for one of the
powerful express engines of the Railway Com-
pany. There was no crowd to speak of at
Poonoonong, and at 4.20 the train pulled out
for Mandalay.

CANTON.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

October 7th.

THE STATUS OF MISSIONARIES.

Viceroy Chan has received a telegram from
the Waiwun instructing him in future to
receive all missionaries at his Yamen in accord-
ance with the Treaty regulations, to respect
and treat them with equal courtesy, but not to
treat them as his equals in rank as was done
before. Formerly when missionaries paid
official calls on Viceroy they used to be accom-
panied by the suite and used chairs reserved
for men of rank equal to that of a
Viceroy and thus impressed upon the peoples'
mind their influence and power, and
deceived them. In future all missionaries pay-
ing official calls on the Viceroy will have to
enter the Yamen by the side gate; the main
gate will only be open to officials of high rank.

CANTON HANKOW RAILWAY.

In paying their loan instalment to the
Hongkong Government the Railway Company,
owing to the drop in exchange, has had to pay
\$90,000 more than on the previous occasion.

BIRTHDAY PRESENTS.

Yesterday the Viceroy dined at the Imperial
Maritime Customs at Tientsin that he has
dispatched to Peking a special Deputy with
presents for the Empress Dowager on the
occasion of Her Majesty's Birthday and request-
ing the Commissioner to give instructions to the
Custom House officers there not to open any of
the cases for examination.

A SQUALL.

We had a strong flow here at about noon
yesterday and some damage was done in the City
and suburbs. A few lives were lost on the river
owing to sampans capsizing.

REBELS DEPORTED FROM ANNAM.

Chang Tsai of Lim-Chow and Yam-Chow
Prefectures cabled to Viceroy Chang that the
French Authorities in Annam have arrested
over 200 reformers in the latter place, and have
deported them to Singapore. Many of these
reformers are rebels who took part in the in-
surrection at Lim-Chow last year and the rebel
chiefs Leong Sai Ting and Wong Xat Po,
are amongst those deported. He requests the
Viceroy to instruct the Military Authorities to
keep a vigilant watch regarding their move-
ments as he is afraid that they might return to
Lim-Chow secretly via Canton to create trouble
and disturb the peace.

CRUDE OPIUM TRADE RESUMED.

The raw opium merchants have resumed
trade. The Waiwun cabled to Viceroy
Chang not to interfere with the crude opium
trade as it would dislocate commerce. Trade
in this commodity is not prohibited yet.

MARRIAGE OF STUDENTS PROHIBITED.

The Central Government has passed a law
prohibiting the marriage of students (boys and
girls) under twenty years of age and having no
diploma to show that they have passed examina-
tions in the highest standards in the lower
schools.

ANOTHER FLOOD EXPECTED.

Local merchants have received news from
Wuchow that the West River rose about 20
feet in a few hours, on the 5th instant.

LOCAL SPORT.

FOOTBALL.

The following officers of the Y.M.C.A.
Football Club have been elected for the ensuing
season:—
Hon. president Mr. W. D. Braidwood; pre-
sident Mr. J. L. Molleson; secretary Mr.
B. B. Berton; treasurer Mr. L. Hayne; captain,
Mr. J. McCubbin; selection committee,
the president, captain, Mr. A. Hamilton and Mr.
W. L. Wesson.

GOLF.

The monthly competition for the Captain's
Cup was held at Happy Valley between October
3rd and October 5th. The following cards
were returned:—CAPTAIN'S CUP.
C. E. H. Beavis... 81 - 3 78
C. E. Dixon... 87 - 13 79
J. Clark... 85 - 3 80
W. G. Worcester... 99 - 18 81
F. B. Bacon... 191 - 17 8429 entries.
POOL.
M. A. Murray... 81 - 7 77
S. G. Newell... 104 - 16 82
F. B. Bacon... 103 - 17 8614 entries.
Winner of Cup.
Winner of Pool.

SHANGHAI TRADE.

Messrs. J. B. and Co.'s Piece Goods Market

Report is as follows:—

The end of the third quarter of an unsatis-
factory year finds the market in the same quiet
if not dull state that has prevailed for so long a
period, that it may almost be considered its
normal condition. Here and there old stocks
have been exhausted and a healthy state of
affairs has been established, more especially in
the yarn market, but even there dealers are
siding with caution and are not disposed to
operate for distant arrivals. The rapid varia-
tions in American cotton make it very difficult
to form an opinion as to what is likely to
prove a safe basis for spring supplies; the
feeling of uncertainty is increased by the
absence of any definite information about
prospects of revival of trade in India,
and the probable effect on exchange, if
one were to take place. American goods show
a tendency towards lower prices; the long
expected improvement in Northern demand
seems as far off as ever; but the explanation
what it may there be little doubt that notwith-
standing the excellent crops in Manchuria there
is a feeling of want of confidence about affairs
there, which has a very depressing influence
upon trade. Sales of P. M. D. Suite are
reported to have been made from New York to
Bombay on the basis of 1 1/4 cent, which is about
the equivalent of P. M. 5.15 here against the
current quotation of P. M. 4.50 and yet prices here
are not strong.The strike in Lancashire has created a
good deal of interest throughout the trade
here, and Chinese, naturally enough perhaps,
are mainly interested in its effect upon
this market. They look upon the strike as of
minor importance compared with that likely to be
brought about by the stoppage of supplies even
for a comparatively short period; if the strike is
prolonged sufficient long to give the market here
time to work off the accumulation of old stocks
and thereby bring about a return to healthy
conditions of trade, there can be no question that
Chinese would willingly pay the extra prices
involved in maintaining the old standard of
wages, and therefore they would like to see
production suspended for a reasonable time. In
the meantime there has been a better feeling in
the market for "spot" cargo, but no appreci-
able advances have been obtained by private
dealers; the auction sales, however, have been
advancing and the general tone of the market is
rather better already.

"BRITAIN GAINS A SUBJECT."

This is the heading given to the following
paragraph in the Shanghai Times prefacing a
report of a police court case:—A way out of the difficulty which presented
itself to Mr. G. W. King, Police Magistrate, on
Thursday, in connection with the nationality of
W. P. Smith, was found by the accused
formally taking the oath of allegiance to the
British Crown—an oath which he strenuously
refused to consider whilst in custody in Ceylon
and since his release. However, at last he
decided to take shelter beneath the protecting
folds of the British flag. "Smith" is not
Smith, at all—his correct name, according to
his own admission, being Hendrik Ferdinand
Pinsloot. He fought during the Transvaal war
against the British forces, being a member of
the Transvaal Artillery, but fell into the
hands of the "enemy" when the surrender of
Pretoria took place, where he was made
General Croop's prisoner. He was before the
British Police Court on Thursday on a charge
of stealing \$70 and a pair of brown boots from
Petter Krook and admitted his guilt as far as
the money was concerned. The fact that he was
not British gave the Court no jurisdiction over
him but, that being remedied by Pinsloot taking
the oath of allegiance, he again was placed be-
fore his Worship who has heard him over to come
up for judgment when asked, upon, and further
to be of good behaviour for six months. Mr.
Van der Stoep having accepted got into no further
trouble and guaranteeing that the money taken
away from Mr. Krook would be refunded.

FINGER-BOWLS.

In the retrospect of the past season one of
the more "rare and curious" items, to use the
language of catalogues, has been the failing of
the rule of no finger-bowls at a dinner party to
royalty. It has had a longer and more vigorous
life than most traditions of Jacobite times.
Eight down to these very days of ours the rule
has survived that when royalty is entertained to
dinner the royal persons alone have finger-bowls,
lest any guest by the old trick of carrying the
bowl, should behind an appeal of loyalty, be
basely drinking to the King "over the water".
Even now the rule has not entirely gone, but
it was noticed that this year for the first time
all the guests had finger-bowls at some royal
dinner-party. I believe (says a writer in the
"Manchester Guardian") the Duke and Duchess
of Westminster's party at Grosvenor House was
one of them; but at any rate they were not
small parties, but quite the big occasions. There
is no King over the water now, but no doubt
many will regret the weakening of the custom.
It must have been joyously kept to survive as
long after all real meaning had gone out of it.
And those who would regret it may console
themselves by thinking that at this distance
of time the danger would be not let anyone
should drink treason under the King's very
eyes, but let it should be an offence that there
could be any idea of a disloyal moment.STEAMER FREIGHTS ON THE
PACIFIC.In a telegram to the Japanese Foreign Office
dated the 25th ult. the Japanese Consul at Chi-
cago states that, according to what has been
privately shown by a certain authority as a scale
of freight tariffs on Oriental goods is recently
agreed upon by eight steamship companies en-
gaged in the Pacific trade, the freight on
antimony is 30 cents per 100 lbs. bamboo rods,
50 cents, bamboo blinds, \$1; raw silk, and tea
60 cents. When these rates are added to the
railway freightage, says the message, they
cannot be said to be a very radical increase.
The agents in Chicago of railway and steamship
companies do not seem to have yet received
instructions from the head offices regarding the
rates of freight. The tariff may be amended
before being finally decided upon. Some of the
authorities in Chicago interested in the freight
question are watching the attitude of the
Nippon Yusen Kaisha before finally settling the
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SHIPPING IN PORT.

STEAMERS.

ALEXIA, German str., 3,376, John Ernest, 29th
Sept.—Portland and Moji 21st September.FLORIN—P. & A. S. S. Co.
AMARA British str., 1,568, C. J. Matlock, 30th
September—Hongkong 28th September, Conl
Jardine, Matheson & Co.AMIGO, German str., 832, Franden, 5th Oct.—
Hobow 4th October, General and Pigs—
Jensen & Co.ANTHOCYUS, British str., 5,735, Kay, 5th Oct.—
Manila 2nd Oct., General—Butterfield
& Swire.APFALACHE, British str., 2,495, Stevens, 5th
Oct.—San Francisco 24th Sept., Ballast—
Standard Oil Co.BRASILIA, German str., 9,996, W. Schwing-
ham, 4th Oct.—Shanghai 1st October,
General—Hamburg-Amerika Linie.CATHERINE APCAR, British str., 1,730, W. D.
A. Thomas, 23rd Sept.—Calcutta & Straits,
6th September, General—D. Sassoon & Co.CRAIGVALE, British str., 2,874, B. C. Edmunds,
5th Oct.—Manila 1st Oct., Dardwell & Co.DAKOTAH, British str., 2,532, Ross, 23rd Sept.—
San Francisco 1st Sept., Karsina Oil—
Standard Oil Co.DEVALONG, German str., 1,051, F. Rohwaldt,
5th Oct.—Bangkok 23rd Sept., Rice and
Wood—Butterfield & Swire.FITZPATRICK, British str., Williams, 10th
Sept.—Penang 3rd Ang, General—Order.GERMANIA, German str., 1,900, Flugel, 21st
September—Sydney 8th August, Copra—
Siemens & Co.GLACIUS, British str., 3,590, J. Riley, 7th Oct.—
Singapore 1st Oct., General—Butter-
field & Swire.HAILAN, French str., 377, O. A. Hoeg, 2nd
October—Hobow 1st October, General and
Pigs—A. R. Marly.HAIMON, British str., 636, J. W. Evans, 3rd
Oct.—Fochow 30th Sept., Amoy 1st Oct.,
and Swatow 2nd, General—Douglas, Lap-
rak & Co.HANGSANG, British str., 1,325, S. Wilda, 6th
Oct.—Shanghai and Swatow 5th October,
General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.HARRATT, British str., 2,418, C. E. Bignell,
20th September—Mororan and Moji 14th
September, Coal—Order.HELEN, German str., 771, J. Jenson, 24th
Sept.—Swatow 23rd September, General—
Jensen & Co.HELIOPOLIS, British str., 2,967, J. W. Martin,
18th September—from Chulawantao—
Gibb, Livingstone & Co.HONGKONG MARU, Japanese str., 3,453, H. S.
Smith, 20th September—San Francisco
20th Aug, General—Toro Kisen Kaisha.HUYCHOW, British str., 1,247, H. Forsyth, 1st
October—Tientsin 22nd Sept., General—
Butterfield & Swire.ICHANG, British str., 1,238, Tuebbon, 1st Oct.—
Wuhu 25th Sept., Rice—Butterfield &
Swire.ISCHIA, Italian str., 2,756, Bolito, 6th Oct.—
Singapore 30th Sept., General—Carlowitz
& Co.KOWLOON, German str., 1,417, A. Enigh, 2nd
October—Kraton 25th Sept., General—
Hamburg-Amerika Linie.KXANTAH, Chinese str., 1,534, Wm. H. Lunt,
5th Oct.—Shanghai 2nd Oct., General—
Chinese.MANDAN MARU, Jap. str., 3,346, Shimidzu,
1st Oct.—Moji 25th Sept., Coal—Mitsui
Bussan Kaisha.MARIE, German str., 1,169, Christiansen, 20th
September—Saito 11th Aug, Ballast
—China Commercial Steamship Co.MONTANA, American str., 211, C. Camus, 4th
September—Manila 1st Sept., Ballast—
Master.MYTLEBURN, British str., 1,620, Lighton, 1st
October—Moji 26th September, Coal—
Bradley & Co.NEWSANG, British str., 1,495, F. M. B. Lake,
3rd October—Moji 25th Sept., General—
Jardine, Matheson & Co.PHUMPHUR, British str., 1,066, Scott, 4th
Oct.—Saito 30th September, General—
Chinese.PHRANANG, German str., 1,921, Fr. v. Mangels-
dorf, 2nd October—Bangkok 25th Sept.,
Rice—N. D. L.RAJABURI, German str., 1,189, H. Bremer, 2nd
October—Swatow 1st October, General—
Butterfield & Swire.SABINE RICHMOND, Dutch str., 573, Feis, 5th
October—Balk Pappas, 26th September,
Kerosene Oil—Japanese str., 3,963, K.
Shimano Maru, 4th October—Shanghai 1st Oct.,
General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.SIBERA BLANCA, British str., 2,333, H. de
Gruy, 2nd September—Iloilo and Manila
17th September, General—Order.SIKZIA, German str., 3,781, Faas, 27th Sept.—
Hankow 27th Sept., General—Hamburg-
Amerika Linie.SUISANG, British str., 1,776, W. D. Walsh, 2nd
October—Chefoo 1st September—China
Commercial & Co.TAIWAN, British str., 1,042, Martin, 20th Sept.—
Saito 23rd Sept, General—Chinese.TAIYUEN, British str., 1,458, L. Dawson, 7th
October—Sydney and Manila, 2nd Oct.,
General—Butterfield & Swire.TAKASAKI MARU, Japanese str., 2,943, A.
Mooker, 30th Sept.—Moji 24th Sept., Coal
and General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.TJIBODAS, Dutch str., 2,359, P. Zwart, 27th
Sept.—Moji 22nd Sept., General—Japa-
nese—Japan Mail.TJINWONG, Dutch str., 3,000, Turriano, 4th
October—Manassar 26th Sept., General—
Java-China-Japan Line.TSINTAU, German str., 1,002, Hasmann, 29th
Sept.—Bangkok 21st September, Rice—
Butterfield & Swire.WAKAMITA MARU, Japanese str., 1,945, T.
Yamawaki, 3rd October—Bomby and
Singapore, 26th September, General—
Nippon Yusen Kaisha.WYAT C. O. str., British str., 2,700, McDonnell,
1st October—New York 24th Aug, Oil—
Shewan, Tomes & Co.YOHOW, British str., 1,306, Brown, 24th Sept.—
October—Manila 2nd October, General—
Shewan, Tomes & Co.ZAFIRO, British str., 1,256, R. Rodger, 5th
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SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	"CANTON"	18th October.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE and COPENHAGEN	"PERKING"	Bag. of November
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THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,
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Hongkong, 5th October, 1908.NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE
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FROM BOMBAY AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"ISCHIA," having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence delivery may be obtained. Perishable Goods to be taken delivery of immediately.

All Claims must be sent to the Office of the undersigned before Noon on the 15th inst., or they will not be recognised.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 15th inst., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 15th inst., at 9.30 A.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
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Hongkong, 6th October, 1908.

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All Claims must reach us before the 15th October, or they will not be recognised.

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